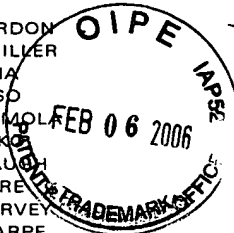


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Re: U.S. Patent No.: 6,974,409 B2  
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Sir:

A Certificate of Correction under 35 U.S.C. 254 is hereby requested to correct Patent Office printing errors in the above-identified patent. Enclosed herewith is a proposed Certificate of Correction (Form No. PTO-1050) and documentation in support of the proposed corrections for consideration.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Claim 8

Line 3, please delete "50" and insert therefor --105°--.

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Claim 13 (original) A catheter pump according to claim 12, wherein

said lumen has a round cross section;

said outlet opening is round in a view frontal thereto and wedge-shaped in a side view perpendicular to said frontal view; and

said plate-shaped member is curved about an axis of curvature transverse to said pivoting axis, round in frontal view and wedge-shaped in a side view perpendicular thereto.

*New Claim 8*  
~~Claim 14~~ (original) A catheter pump according to claim 13, wherein, in side view, opposite sides of said wedge shapes of said outlet opening and of said valve body extend at an angle of 75–105° to each other.

Claim 15 (original) A catheter pump according to claim 13, wherein, in said inlet position, said valve body has a frontal projected area having a first portion on a proximal side of said pivoting axis and a second portion on a distal side of said pivoting axis, said first portion being larger than said second portion.

Claim 16 (original) A catheter pump according to claim 12, wherein, in said outlet position, said valve body has a frontal projected area having a first portion on a side of said pivoting axis where said outlet opening is located and a second portion on an opposite side of said pivoting axis, said first portion being larger than said second portion.

Claim 17 (original) A catheter pump according to claim 16, wherein said pivoting axis extends across said lumen, and wherein said lumen has a cross-sectional area having a portion on a side of said pivoting axis where said outlet opening is located and a portion on an opposite side of said axis, said portion on said side of said pivoting axis where said opening is located being larger than said portion on said opposite side of said pivoting axis.

Claim 18 (previously presented) A catheter pump comprising:

a catheter having a distal end portion and a proximal end portion, and a channel communicating with said distal end portion for alternately passing a fluid in a direction away from said distal end portion towards said proximal end and in a direction away from said proximal end towards said distal end portion;

an inlet passage and an outlet passage proximally spaced from said inlet passage;

a valve arrangement for at least restricting outward blood flow via said inlet passage and inward blood flow via said outlet passage;